

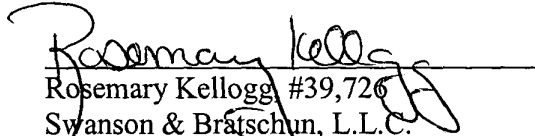
REMARKS

Minor amendments have been made to the Cross References to Related Applications to correct obvious typographical errors. The proposed changes are meant to correct the priority data as claimed by applicant. The amendments do not add any new matter to the application or affect the claimed invention.

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CROSS REFERENCE TO RELATED APPLICATIONS

This application is a divisional of United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/364,539, filed July 29, 1999, entitled "Nucleic Acid Ligands which Bind to Hepatocyte Growth Factor Scatter Factor (HGF/SF) or its Receptor C-Met," which is a continuation-in-part of United States Patent Application Serial No. 09/502,344, filed ~~August 27, 1998~~ February 10, 2000, entitled "Nucleic Acid Ligands," now U.S. Patent No. 6,331,398 which is a continuation of United States Patent Application Serial No. 08/469,609, filed June, 6, 1995, entitled "Method for Detecting a Target Molecule in a Sample Using a Nucleic Acid Ligand," now U.S. Patent No. 5,843,653, which is a continuation of United States Patent Application Serial No. 07/714,131, filed June 10, 1991, entitled "Nucleic Acid Ligands," now U.S. Patent No. 5,475,096, which is a continuation-in-part of United States Patent Application Serial No. 07/536,428, filed June 11, 1990, now abandoned.